

Camps and Residentials



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HARBOUR, BUT THAT IS NOT
WHAT SHIPS WERE BUILT
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Dear Parents and Students,

Get ready for an adventure like no other! We are thrilled to present an extraordinary outdoor education schedule designed exclusively for Years 3-6.



Once again, we have curated a lineup of incredible activities and experiences that will captivate and inspire your child's imagination. Our dedicated outdoor education providers, who boast extensive experience and have partnered with DIA in the past, are back to ensure that our students have the time of their lives.

Imagine your child conquering their fears, pushing boundaries, and creating cherished memories that will last a lifetime. Our residential camps provide the perfect environment for students to embrace new challenges, grow as individuals, and forge lifelong friendships.

Changes from last year include Year 5 heading to Al Mazra, the eagerly awaited purpose built venue solely owned and maintained by Ecoventure. Year 6 will now be staying at Jebal Hafeet Hotel during their trip to Al Ain at Wadi Adventure. While the previous accommodation was excellent, this decision was taken to accommodate the students in closer proximity to one another.

We invite you to delve into our comprehensive guide, bursting with exhilarating opportunities that await our students. From thrilling outdoor expeditions to hands-on educational activities, these are experiences that go way beyond the classroom.

Join us and together, we will create cherished memories and empower your children to unlock their full potential.



Year 3 - School Sleepover

Sleepover

DATE TBC (Date for 2023-2024 was February so likely to be around the same time)

Overview

For our younger pupils, we offer the excitement of a night away from home but in the comfort and safety of a familiar environment- school! This one night camp is designed to help pupils develop their independence, resilience and teamwork skills in preparation for future camps in other locations.

Location - DIA Sky Garden

Pupils will spend one night sleeping in tents in the safety of the school grounds. This safe and secure location enables the pupils the freedom and independence of a night away from home but within a familiar space.

During the camp, the pupils will engage in a range of activities such as team games and quizzes followed by pizza in the cafeteria.

Winding down towards bedtime, they will enjoy hot chocolate and a movie before heading off into their sleeping bags.



Provider



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What's Included

- Pizza
- Hot chocolate
- Juice and water
- Organised activities
- Pastries, muffins and drinks for breakfast

How to register for camp

Registration and payments links will be sent at a later date.

Price: AED 30

Registration Link: TBC

Registration Deadline: TBC

Year 4 UAQ Marine Club

Outdoor Education Program 2024-25

November 27th to November 28th

OR November 28th to November 29th

Overview

Our Year 4 students have the opportunity to attend our 2-day outdoor education program, offering students a fun and exciting learning experience outside the classroom that will not only help students develop personal skills but will also benefit their classroom work.

Location - UAQ Marine Club

Only an hour's drive from Dubai the UAQ Marine Club is a great location for students residential trips. The Marine Club looks out directly onto the UAQ mangroves and has access into the water via 2 sandy beaches. Onsite there is also high ropes and low ropes courses, an archery range, a maze and human foosball! Accommodation is in 1 of the 2 dormitory blocks that each have their own bathrooms and teachers accommodation. The Club has a perimeter wall on 3 sides and a mangroves lagoon on the 4th. The gate is manned 24 hours and Ecoventure staff will be onsite with you for the duration of the trip.

Provider



What's Included

Specialist activity equipment, instruction by qualified staff, food* and water, accident liability insurance, accommodation, transport, and a program of activities that are tailored to students and is age-appropriate.

*All Food Provided By Ecoventure

Activities

Open Top Kayaking, Canoeing, Low Ropes, Sensory Trail, Climbing Wall, Problem Solving, Jacobs Ladder, Cat Walk



Sample Timetable

| Day | Travel and site safety briefing | Lunch | PM Activity Sessions | Free Time | Dinner | Evening Entertainment |
|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| Day 1 | | | | | | |
| Day 2 | BreakfastAM | Activity Sessions | Lunch | Travel Back to School | | |

How to register for camp

To confirm your child's place, register online using the link below. Your child's place on the program is only confirmed once registration AND payment has been completed.

Actual dates for each class will be allocated based on sign ups per class and will be communicated closer to the trip.

Price: AED 1,195

Registration Link: <https://ecov.co/dia4>

Registration Deadline: October 27th 2024

Year 5 Al Mazra'a

Outdoor Education Program 2024-25 (New Location)

November 27th to November 29th



Overview

Our Year 5 students have the opportunity to attend our 3-day outdoor education program, offering students a fun and exciting learning experience outside the classroom that will not only help students develop personal skills but will also benefit their classroom work.

Location - Al Mazra'a (The Farm)

Nestled in the foothills of the Hajar Mountain range, Al Mazra'a offers stunning scenery in a tranquil location. The Farm has a wide range of adventure and field studies activities on site as well as in the surrounding hills and is in a prime location for several off-site activities. The farm has a working date plantation, a range of resident animals and a vegetable herb garden where students can get their hands dirty. There are 3 cabin villages which can accommodate up to 80, 40 and 40 students respectively (plus teachers) as well as a dedicated camping area for students to have their 1st camping experience.

Provider



What's Included

Specialist activity equipment, instruction by qualified staff, food* and water, accident liability insurance, accommodation, transport, and a program of activities that are tailored to students and is age-appropriate.

*Students to bring own packed lunch on 1st day - all other food provided by Ecoventure



Activities

Problem Solving, Jacobs Ladder, Leap of Faith, Archery, Climbing Wall, Sensory Trail, Open Top Kayaking, Canoeing, Survival, Raft Building

Sample Timetable

| Day | Travel and site safety briefing | | Lunch | PM Activity Sessions | Free Time | Dinner | Evening Entertainment |
|-------|---------------------------------|----------------------|-------|-----------------------|-----------|--------|-----------------------|
| Day 1 | Travel and site safety briefing | | Lunch | PM Activity Sessions | Free Time | Dinner | Evening Entertainment |
| Day 2 | Breakfast | AM Activity Sessions | Lunch | PM Activity Sessions | Free Time | Dinner | Evening Entertainment |
| Day 3 | Breakfast | AM Activity Sessions | Lunch | Travel Back to School | | | |

How to register for camp

Registration AND payment is required to secure a place on the trip.

Spaces may be limited. To avoid disappointment please register and pay early.

Actual dates for each class will be allocated based on sign ups per class and will be communicated closer to the trip.

Price: AED 1,745

Registration Link: <https://ecov.co/dia5>

Registration Deadline: October 27th 2024

Year 6 Al Ain

Outdoor Education Program 2024-25

November 27th - November 29th

Overview

Our Year 6 students have the opportunity to attend our 3-day outdoor education program, offering students a fun and exciting learning experience outside the classroom that will not only help students develop personal skills but will also benefit their classroom work.

Location - Al Ain Adventure

Al Ain Adventure Park is the first of its kind with purpose built onsite whitewater rafting, kayaking and surfing facilities anywhere in the Middle East. Our aerial activities include an airpark, zip-line and climbing wall, all stunningly located at the base of Jebel Hafeet Mountain in Al Ain. Students will be accommodated in the Mercure Jebel Hafeet, located a short bus ride from the activities. This hotel will accommodate students in triple rooms.



Provider



What's Included

Specialist activity equipment, instruction by qualified staff, food* and water, accident liability insurance, accommodation, transport, and a program of activities that are tailored to students and is age-appropriate.

*All Food Provided By Ecoventure

Activities

White water rafting, Inflatable Kayaking (Duckies), Water Park, Zip Lining, Climbing Wall, Team Games and many more.

Sample Timetable

| Day | Travel and site safety briefing | Lunch | PM Activity Sessions | Free Time | Dinner | Evening Entertainment | |
|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Day 1 | Travel and site safety briefing | Lunch | PM Activity Sessions | Free Time | Dinner | Evening Entertainment | |
| Day 2 | BreakfastAM | Activity Sessions | Lunch | PM Activity Sessions | Free Time | Dinner | Evening Entertainment |
| Day 3 | BreakfastAM | Activity Sessions | Lunch | Travel Back to School | | | |

How to register for camp

To confirm your child's place, register online using the link below. Your child's place on the program is only confirmed once registration AND payment has been completed.

Actual dates for each class will be allocated based on sign ups per class and will be communicated closer to the trip.

Price: AED 2,045

Registration Link: <https://ecov.co/dia6>

Registration Deadline: October 27th 2024

Year 5 and 6 Ski Trip

Outdoor Education Program 2024-25

15th- 22nd March



NB: The trip requires 20 children to run with a max of 40

Overview

Nestled high in the Swiss Alps is the beautiful ski resort of Verbier. DIA are pleased to be offering 40 places to Year 5 & 6 students who wish to experience a week of skiing in one of the most picturesque regions of Europe.

Location - Verbier

Boasting more than 450km of pristine slopes, Verbier is located 1500m above sea level. Accommodation is in Swiss Alpine style chalets close to the centre of Verbier.

Students will take a 6.5 hour flight from Dubai to Geneva with transfers to Verbier taking approximately 2 hours.



Provider



What's Included

- Skiing/snowboarding lessons with highly qualified instructors.
- Hire of helmets, ski boots, skis and poles
- Lift pass
- Accommodation
- Housekeeping including towels and bedlinen
- 4 meals per day
- Après- ski activities
- A trip to the famous Cailler Chocolate Factory
- Evening activities
- Flights and transfers
- Insurance against accidents

Activities

Please see next page

How to register for camp

To register your interest in the camp, please complete the form [here](#). Further payment details will be shared once the numbers are confirmed.

Price: 10'500 - 12'500 AED Per Person

Deposit: 2000 AED

Deadline for Deposit: June 28th 2024

Registration Link: [Please find the payment link on your child's portal](#)

Example of a weekly schedule

| DAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------------------------------|------------------|---|---|--|---|-------------------------|--|-------------------|
| 07h45 | | WAKE UP | WAKE UP | WAKE UP | WAKE UP | WAKE UP | WAKE UP | WAKE UP |
| 08h00-08h30 | | BREAKFAST | BREAKFAST | BREAKFAST | BREAKFAST | BREAKFAST | BREAKFAST | BREAKFAST |
| MORNING 9h00-12h00 | | Skiing | Picture & Skiing | Skiing | Skiing | Ski Race | Skiing/Excursion day | Packing/Departure |
| LUNCH 11H30 | | Lunch private Les Elfes Restaurant La Chaux | Lunch private Les Elfes Restaurant La Chaux | Lunch private Les Elfes Restaurant Baratin | Lunch private Les Elfes Restaurant La Chaux | BBQ - weather dependant | Lunch private Les Elfes Restaurant Baratin | |
| AFTERNOON 13h00-16h00 | | Skiing | Skiing | Skiing | Skiing | Ski Race | Skiing/Excursion day | |
| AFTERNOON 16h00-16h45 | Arrival/Check-in | Les Elfes Sign-up | Les Elfes Sign-up | Les Elfes Sign-up | Les Elfes Sign-up | Les Elfes Sign-up | Les Elfes Sign-up | |
| AFTER-SKI 16h45-18h45 | Arrival/Check-in | Optional Activities | Optional Activities | Optional Activities | Optional Activities | Optional Activities | Check out/packing | |
| DINNER 19h00 | Les Elfes | Les Elfes | Les Elfes | Les Elfes | Les Elfes | Les Elfes | Les Elfes | |
| EVENING ACTIVITIES 20h00-22h00 | Easy Night/Movie | Ice Skating | La Fureur/The game | Clubs Night | Boys vs Girls | Disco @ Casbah | Prize giving/Slide show | |



Year 5 and 6 Borneo

Outdoor Education Program 2024-25

8th- 15th February 2025



NB: The trip requires 15 children to run our max of 30

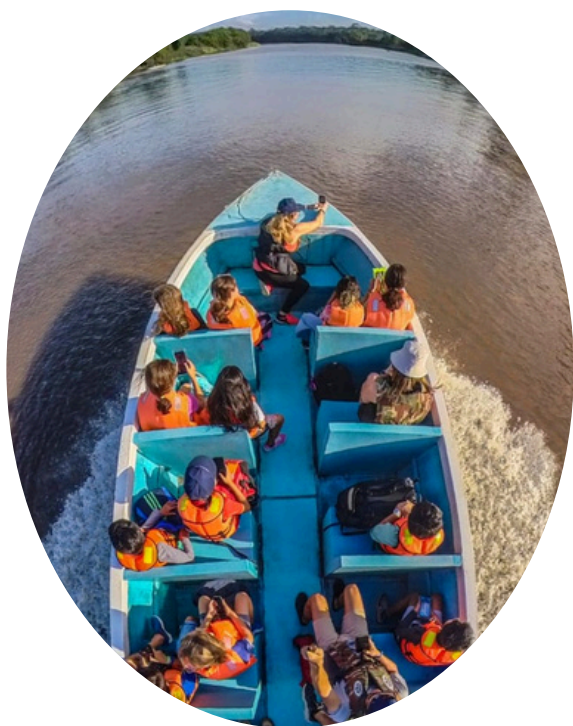
Overview

Straddling the equator is the mountainous, forest-covered island of Borneo. Year 5 and 6 students are invited to participate in this once-in-a-lifetime trip to experience the unique culture and wildlife on offer in this beautiful part of Malaysia.

Location - Borneo

Pupils will fly from Dubai to Kota Kinabalu, the capital of Sabah state and the gateway to the many treasures of offer in Borneo.

Whilst there, students will enjoy many excursions including snorkelling, Kinabalu National Park, river safaris, canopy walks as well as visiting the world-famous orang-utans at a sanctuary.



Provider

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What's Included

Specialist activity equipment, instruction by qualified staff, food and water, accident liability insurance, accommodation, transport, flights, and a program of activities that are tailored to students and is age-appropriate.

Activities

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How to register for camp

Price: Estimated AED 8000AED Per Person (excluding flights)

Flights this year were between 4000 - 45000AED.

Registration Link: To secure a seat, please [CLICK HERE](#) to pay a deposit of 2000AED. In the event of not having enough students, this will be refunded. To login, use your child's student ID and date of birth detail.

Deadline 1: 8th October

Deadline 2: 8th December

Overview of Activities - Borneo

Please see the comprehensive overview of what the days will look like. This is based on last year as and subject to change.

DAY 1

WHOLE GROUP

Afternoon Arrive at Kota Kinabalu International Airport.
Introductions & briefing and R&R. Environmental talk.
Upcycle workshop at Tanjung Aru Eco Centre/Hotel*.
Dinner Hotel Shangri-ila
Evening R & R
Night Hotel Shangri-la

DAY 2

WHOLE GROUP

Breakfast Hotel Shangri-la
Morning Zipline, climbing and abseiling at River Camp
Lunch Packed lunch at River camp
Afternoon Cultural Village
Dinner Hotel Shangri-la
Evening Cultural Village Transfer to Hotel
Night Movie Night @ Hotel

DAY 3

WHOLE GROUP

Breakfast Hotel Shangri-la
Morning Transfer to Mamutik Island. Snorkeling orientation
Lunch Mamutik Island
Afternoon Snorkeling safari. Transfer back to Kota Kinabalu
Transfer to Imago Mal
Dinner Souled Out
Evening Shopping at Imago
Night Hotel Shangri-la

DAY 4

WHOLE GROUP

Breakfast Breakfast at Hotel
Morning Nabal Market. Toilet stops. (Journey takes approximately 2 hours 30 mins)
Lunch Round Inn
Afternoon Poring Hot Springs/ Canopy walk
Dinner Sabah Tea Gardens
Evening Sabah Tea Gardens
Night Traditional Long House
*Indicates possible change based on flights and group.

DAY 5

WHOLE GROUP

Breakfast Sabah Tea Gardens (Journey takes 3 hours)
Morning Transfer to Borneo Natural Sukau Bilit Resort
Lunch Borneo Natural Sukau Bilit Resort
Afternoon Allocated into rooms.
1) Village Walk
2) Afternoon cruise (All)
Dinner Borneo Natural Sukau Bilit Resort
Evening Wildlife/Conservation Presentation by North Star
Night Borneo Natural Sukau Resort

DAY 6

WHOLE GROUP

Breakfast Early Morning River cruise. Breakfast at resort after cruise.
Morning Transfer to Conservation, tree planting and Nature Trail
Lunch KOPEL - Kinabatangan Sanctuary/Tungog Eco Camp
Afternoon Tree Nursery and cultural performance by the community
Dinner Borneo Natural Sukau Resort
Evening Pack and prepare to check out of the resort
Night Borneo Natural Sukau Resort

DAY 7

WHOLE GROUP

Breakfast Borneo Natural Sukau Resort
Morning Transfer to Sepilok Orang Utan Rehabilitation Centre & Sun Bear Sanctuary
Lunch Lunch at Rainforest Discovery Centre
Afternoon Visit the Rainforest Discovery Centre
Dinner Borneo Sepilok Resort
Evening Games. Pack to fly back to Dubai. *Night Walk at Rainforest Discovery Centre.
Night Borneo Sepilok Resort

DAY 8

WHOLE GROUP

Breakfast Borneo Natural Sukau Resort
Morning Transfer to Sandakan Airport, SDK-BKI-DXB

Year 5 and 6 Sri Lanka

Outdoor Education Program 2024-25

8th - 12th February 2025



NB: The trip requires 10 children to run with a max of 15

Overview

At a lower cost and with less days than Borneo, this trip serves as a potential precursor or simply second option to this type of trip. As was the case last year, we will be attending as a joint venture with other Innoventures Schools, offering a wonderful opportunity for cross school relations.

Location - Kadura

Kaduru Camp is Ecoventure's purpose-built camp located in Sri Lanka's Southern Province, 20 minutes outside of Galle. It is nestled in the quiet village of Ankokkawola.

Students stay in en-suite, air-conditioned cabins which house up to eight students in bunk beds. Kaduru Camp features a swimming pool, on-site kitchen, safe for passports and perimeter fence which is locked nightly.

Visa

Please use the link below to check that your child is eligible for a 30-day tourist visa in

Sri Lanka BEFORE signing them up for the program. Gaining a tourist visa into Sri Lanka

is not normally an issue but there are sometimes restrictions for certain nationalities.

Your child's passport must have six months validity from the trip's return date.

<http://www.eta.gov.lk/slvisa/>



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Specialist activity equipment, instruction by qualified staff, food and water, accident liability insurance, accommodation, transport, flights, and a program of activities that are tailored to students and is age-appropriate.

Activities

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How to register for camp

Price: 4150 AED Per Person - excluding flights (flights this year were between 1700-2300 AED)

Payment Link: To secure a seat, please [CLICK HERE](#) to pay a deposit of 2000AED. In the event of not having enough students, this will be refunded.

Deadline 1: 8th October

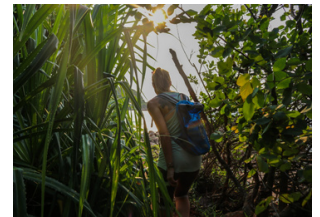
Deadline 2: 8th December

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Kaduru Itinerary

| DAY | TIMINGS | ACTIVITIES |
|-------|---------|---|
| ONE | TBC | Fly to Colombo > travel to Galle |
| | TBC | Jungle Beach snorkeling. |
| | TBC | Cultural fire dance. |
| TWO | AM | Kanneliya Rainforest trek. |
| | LUNCH | Waterfall picnic. |
| | PM | Kanneliya Rainforest trek and river swim. |
| THREE | AM | Surf lesson. |
| | LUNCH | Kaduru Camp. |
| | PM | Koggala Lake boat trip and cooking class. |
| FOUR | AM | Tsunami museum and sea turtle hatchery. |
| | LUNCH | Peddlar's Cafe |
| | PM | Galle Fort Historical Walk |
| FIVE | AM | Local tea factory visit. |
| | LUNCH | Travel |
| | PM | |



Activities

Activities may vary depending on weather or other unforeseen circumstances

Dry Activities

- Galle Fort - UNESCO historical tour/amazing race.
- Kogalla lake boat tour including cinnamon island and fish massage.
- Kanneliya Rainforest trek and river swim.
- Tsunami museum.
- Jungle Beach Peace Pagoda.
- Tea factory visit.
- Village walk.
- Local cooking class.
- Cultural fire dance.

Wet Activities

- Surfing - Galle.
- Jungle Beach snorkeling.
- River Swim in Kanneliya.
- Beach games.